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Application No: 10/712,073  
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Applicant: Beth E. Drees  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION PER 37 C.F.R. 1.114  
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

Dear Sir:

This Request for Continued Examination is filed in response to the Advisory Action mailed from the USPTO September 25, 2008. Applicant had previously filed a Response to Office Action on August 11, 2008 in response to a Final Office Action with a mail date of June 13, 2008. This Request for Continued Examination is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time in the amount of three months and credit card payment form authorizing a charge of \$555. It is believed that no additional fees are due; however, in the event that any fee is deemed necessary or an overpayment becomes due in connection with this response, the undersigned authorizes the charge/credit to be applied to Deposit Account No. 502679. Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following preliminary amendment and consider the remarks herein.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.

Please reconsider the application as follows:

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